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I have the honour to enclose herewith the text of the statement by the Government of the Republic of Suriname on the situation in the Gulf.

I should be grateful if this statement could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Kriesnadath NANDOE
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex

Statement dated 25 January by the Government of the Republic of Suriname

The outbreak and continuation of war in the Gulf Region is of great concern for the Government of the Republic of Suriname.

Suriname has from the outset expressed its rejection of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait as an act that goes contrary to the fundamental principles of international law and the United Nations Charter. We once again appeal to the Government of Iraq to accept the relevant United Nations resolutions and commence its withdrawal from Kuwait.

The Government of Suriname deeply regrets the failure of sustained peace efforts to prevent the outbreak of war and the consequent human suffering and loss of lives and appeals to all parties concerned to undertake all steps necessary to still resolve the conflict by diplomatic means.

The Surinamese Government expresses its hope that a speedy diplomatic solution to this conflict will be found and that peace will be promptly restored in the Persian Gulf.